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THE PRESIDENT

HENRY A. KISSINGER

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CONSTITUTIONAL SUCCESSOR NAMED IN ARGENTINA: THE ARGENTINE SENATE TUESDAY NAMED ITALO LUDER, A MODERATE PERONIST SENATOR, AS PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE. HE WILL BE FIRST IN LINE TO SUCCEED MRS. PERON AS PRESIDENT SHOULD SHE LEAVE THAT POST. THE SENATE MOVE WAS A REBUFF TO MRS. PERON AND LOPEZ REGA, WHO HAD SOUGHT TO KEEP THE POST UNFILLED IN ORDER TO COMPLICATE THE PROCESS OF REPLACING HER AS PRESIDENT AND THEREBY REDUCE THE CHANCES OF A MOVE TO DEPOSE HER. LUDER, A FORMER LAW PROFESSOR, HAS BEEN PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE SINCE 1973. HE IS CONSIDERED PRAGMATIC AND SENSIBLE.

ALTHOUGH THE GOVERNMENT ACCEPTED LABOR'S WAGE DEMANDS, THERE IS NO EVIDENCE YET THAT THE DEMAND FOR LOPEZ REGA'S REMOVAL HAS BEEN MET. LABOR LEADERS, WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE MILITARY, APPARENTLY ARE CONTINUING TO PRESS FOR HIS REMOVAL FROM BOTH HIS MINISTERIAL AND PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORY ROLES. THEY MAY HAVE SETTLED FOR LESS THAN THAT TEMPORARILY UNTIL THE LUDER SUCCESSION ARRANGEMENT HAS BEEN FULLY IMPLEMENTED.

#### ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL CONCLUDE SEPARATE NUCLEAR AGREEMENTS:

ARGENTINA HAS SIGNED A NUCLEAR EXCHANGE PROTOCOL WITH LIBYA. IT PROVIDES FOR LIBYANS TO BE TRAINED IN ARGENTINA IN THE EXTRACTION AND PROCESSING OF URANIUM AND FOR THE SUPPLYING OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO LIBYA FOR THE PROSPECTING AND EXPLOITATION OF URANIUM, ALTHOUGH LIBYA HAS YET TO DISCOVER URANIUM.

BRAZIL, MEANWHILE, HAS FOLLOWED UP THE RECENTLY NEGOTIATED NUCLEAR ACCORD WITH WEST GERMANY BY SIGNING A \$2.5 MILLION AGREEMENT WITH FRANCE ON JULY 4 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN EXPERIMENTAL RESEARCH REACTOR. UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, FRANCE WILL PROVIDE TECHNOLOGICAL HELP FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SO-CALLED FAST NEUTRON OR BREEDER REACTOR SIMILAR TO THOSE ALREADY OPERATING IN FRANCE. FRENCH AND BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS SAID THE ACCORD WOULD ALSO LEAD TO FURTHER NUCLEAR COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS.

CSCE STATUS REPORT: MALTA YESTERDAY BLOCKED AGREEMENT ON JULY 29 FOR CONVENING THE STAGE III SUMMIT MEETING. THE CANADIANS HAVE PUT FORWARD A COMPROMISE PROPOSAL CALLING FOR AGREEMENT ON JULY 30 AS THE TARGET DATE, WITH NEGOTIATIONS TO BE COMPLETED BY JULY 15. AT THE SAME TIME, THE FINNS WOULD BE ASKED TO REMAIN FLEXIBLE ON THEIR DEADLINE IN EXCHANGE FOR THE SHARING OF ANY FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS HELSINKI MIGHT INCUR. THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE MET LATE LAST EVENING TO HAMMER OUT A COMPROMISE AND BRING MALTA INTO LINE; IT WILL MEET AGAIN AT 10:00 A.M. TODAY.

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THE FINNS HAVE AGREED TO HOLD OPEN THE 30TH THROUGH TODAY,  
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